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Attention: Amy Rothstein

Dear Ms. Rothstein:

This is in response to your letter of May 1, 2006 on behalf of your client, Dr. Yusuf Al Qaradawi, a national of Qatar.

Yusuf Abdulla Ali Al Qaradawi received an official B1/B2 visa on 03 December 1995, which expired on 03 December 2005. Dr. Qaradawi's visa eligibility will be established at the time of Dr. Al Qaradawi's next visa application. The Department of State is unable to determine the length of time required to review Dr. Al Qaradawi's application once made.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Lillie J. Kamanu
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Re: Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am an attorney representing Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi in litigation in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York. I seek your assistance in order to clarify allegations that have been made with respect to Sheikh Yusuf's visa status. Plaintiffs in this litigation have alleged that Sheikh Yusuf was "barred," in 1999 or 2000, from entering the U.S. because of his alleged support of al Qaeda. I do not believe this to be the case and would appreciate any information you can provide that would shed light on the circumstances of the denial to Sheikh Yusuf of the ten-year visa that he had previously obtained. My information is that the U.S. government's concerns about Sheikh Yusuf had to do with his alleged support of Hamas, and perhaps Hezbollah, but not that he was suspected of support for al Queda.

My questions are: (1) Has the Sheikh been "barred" from this country or merely denied a 10-year visa? Or is there some other, more accurate, description of his status? (2) With respect to whatever unfavorable action was taken with respect to Sheikh Yusuf's visa application, was it based on alleged connections with al Qaeda? (3) Would you be so kind as to provide whatever documentation you have relating to the above?

Please let me know if there is any further information you require of me in order to provide the requested material.

Very truly yours,

Amy Rothstein